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**DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**JOHN M. M. CALDWELL, PRESIDENT, PRESIDING**

**May 7, 1997**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The May 7, 1997, meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by John M. M. Caldwell, Sr., Board President.

Deputy Charlie Brown, of the DeSoto County Sheriff=s office was present and did open the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors meeting in a regular session to hear any and all business to come before the Board. The following were present:

Jessie Medlin-----District 1  
Eugene C. Thach-----District 2  
James D. Pearson-----District 3  
John Caldwell-----District 4  
Tommy Lewis-----District 5  
W. E. ASluggo@ Davis-----Chancery Clerk  
Charlie Brown-----Deputy  
Clovis Reed-----County Administrator  
William H. Austin, Jr.-----Board Attorney

**B. INVOCATION**

The invocation was presented by Supervisor John Caldwell.

**C. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Approval of April Minutes**

The official minutes of the Board of Supervisors were read for the month of April 1997. Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the Board of Supervisor=s for April 1997, subject to corrections in the portion of the minutes submitted by the Planning Commission, this date pursuant to Section 19-3-27 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated. The vote was unanimous. The **motion passed.**

**2. Appointments**

In accordance with section 19-5-307 of the Mississippi Code Annotated, Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to appoint Lee Wood to the Walls Fire Protection District for a term scheduled to expire in January of the year 2000. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit C.2.**

**Item C., Continued,**

### 3. Payment of Certain Bills and Approval of Subsequent Amendments

#### Sheriff=s Department Prisoner Medical Pay

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion to pay the bills associated with prisoner medical expenses from the Sheriff=s Department=s budget and make any amendments necessary within the Sheriff=s budget. Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion. Before voting on the motion, the motion and second were withdrawn.

To allow the bills to be paid and to allow the Board of Supervisors time to review the budget issue next month, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor James Pearson seconded the motion to reconsider and amend the Sheriff=s Department budget and pay the bills associated with prisoner medical costs from April 1997, from the contingency fund. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----Yes  
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----No  
Supervisor James Pearson-----Yes  
Supervisor John Caldwell-----Yes  
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----Yes

**See Exhibit C.3.a.**

#### Travel Reimbursement for Ida Bryan

At the recommendation of the Comptroller, Dale Thompson, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to pay travel reimbursement to Ida Bryan as requested on the claims docket for April 1997. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit C.3.b.**

### 4. Veteran=s Memorial Day

This item was held over.

## D. PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission brought several items before the Board of Supervisors as evidenced by the portion of the minutes submitted by the Planning Commission. **SEE EXHIBIT D.**

## E. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Renewal of General Liability Insurance

County Administrator Clovis Reed said that a general liability insurance policy was sent to the County, and after he and the Comptroller, Dale Thompson reviewed that alternative, they could not find any substantial benefits the new policy offered above the current general liability insurance policy the County now carries. However, Mr. Reed pointed out that renewal time is at hand and it is the Board of Supervisors= option to go out for proposals for general liability insurance for the County.

**Item E.1., Continued,**

Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to go out for proposals for general liability insurance for the County. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

**2. Approval of Draw Down for CDBG Funds for Dehon Village**

County Administrator Clovis Reed notified the Board of Supervisors that to follow appropriate procedure, the Board of Supervisors must approve the draws of the grant for CDBG funds for Dehon Village. Supervisor James Pearson made the motion and Supervisor Eugene Thach seconded the motion to approve the first draw request from Dehon Village in the amount of \$56,890.00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. **See Exhibit E.2.**

**F. OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. Department of Human Services Request for Microwave**

County Administrator Clovis Reed forwarded a request from the Department of Human Services for the County to purchase a microwave for use in their office. After discussion of this request the Board of Supervisors agreed not to approve this request.

**2. Litigation Matter**

W. E. ASluggo@ Davis notified the Board of Supervisors that he has been served with legal papers concerning a lawsuit titled Foote vs. DeSoto County. Supervisor Eugene Thach made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to acknowledge receipt of papers and to assign the Board Attorney, William Austin, to handle the matter. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

**3. Surplus Sale**

Comptroller Dale Thompson notified the Board of Supervisors that against their previous agreement, Sprint Auction Company withheld their proceeds for their work with the DeSoto County surplus sale. The Board Attorney said, although against the agreement, the withholding is not illegal.

**4. Supervisor Jessie Medlin**

Supervisor Jessie Medlin said he would like the Board of Supervisors to instruct the Road Manager to set up a full time patch crew in the County. Supervisor Medlin pointed out that potholes are a nuisance as well as a liability to the County. Supervisor Medlin pointed out that it is also time to cut grass throughout the County.

**Item F., Continued,**

## 5. Supervisor Tommy Lewis

Supervisor Tommy Lewis notified the Board of Supervisors that the County Engineer, Daniel Murphy has requested the Board of Supervisors hire another engineer to survey the property on Thompson Cove. This item was held over to get recommendations for another engineer from the County Engineer.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor James Pearson seconded the motion to recess until Monday, May 19, 1997, at 9:00. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

THIS the 7th day of May, 1997, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

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JOHN M. M. CALDWELL, President  
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors